## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 42**

## By Watson

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize gospel singer Dave Raby.

WHEREAS, it is most fitting that this General Assembly should pay homage to those inspirational artists who perform pure and passionate gospel music; and

WHEREAS, songwriter and vocalist Dave Raby inspires and uplifts audiences with his unique musical style, as he sings traditional Southern gospel music with sincerity and heartfelt spirit to reach those who need Christ in their lives; and

WHEREAS, after only two years of participation in the Association, Mr. Raby recently claimed Most Promising Vocalist of the Year honors at the GCGMA and SCCGMA Awards Show, an award most befitting his talent and vision as an artist; he now moves on to national competition during NACMAI Week in Pigeon Forge; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Raby is most humbled by his receipt of this prestigious award and most grateful to the people who have made his ongoing success possible; and

WHEREAS, with two Top 80 songs and four Top 40 songs to his credit, Dave Raby vows to keep singing wonderful gospel music with God's grace and mercy for many years to come; and

WHEREAS, the gifted and devout Dave Raby spreads the Good News of the Gospel through his beautiful and inspiring brand of gospel music, and he should be commended for entertaining his faithful fans and helping to bring meaning to thousands of lives through the love of Jesus Christ; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and recognize songwriter and vocalist Dave Raby, one of gospel

music's finest performers, for his ongoing legacy of making great music with a great message and congratulate him upon being named Most Promising Vocalist of the Year. We wish Mr. Raby much continued success in national competition and in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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